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“NO SWIMMING” ADVISORY ISSUED FOR A PORTION OF LONG CREEK AND LAKE WYLIE FOLLOWING A DISCHARGE OF UNTREATED SEWAGE

Mecklenburg County, NC – A **NO SWIMMING** advisory was issued today for lower Long Creek near the confluence with Lake Wylie and Lake Wylie below Long Creek to Wilkinson Boulevard in Mecklenburg County.

The “no swimming” advisory was issued following the detection of a discharge of untreated sewage to Long Creek, which enters Lake Wylie just upstream of the US National Whitewater Center. The discharge was caused by damage to a sewer pipe near 4100 Oakdale Road that was discovered on April 23, 2018.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services staff will monitor water quality in the affected area until conditions are deemed safe for human contact. When conditions are determined to be safe, the no swimming advisory will be lifted.

Rusty Rozzelle, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services’ Water Quality Program Manager, said the advisories are standard procedure. “It was necessary to close the areas to recreation because of the potential risk to human health. That’s because Lake Wylie is designated as recreational waters,” said Rozzelle.

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(see map on following page)

No Swimming Advisory Area on Lake Wylie

